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## SENATE WILL CONSIDER

**Santo Domingo Treaty This Coming Week.**

**DEBATE IS EXPECTED**

**Republicans Prepared to Defend Roosevelt's Attack on Dominican Question.**

**COMMISSIONS BILL COMES UP**

**It is Expected That Commissions Bill Will Shortly Come Before Senate—Gallager Will Open Debate on This Measure—Some Opposition.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—The Senate will begin this week's deliberations with the consideration of the relations between this country and Santo Domingo. The subject will be brought up on Tillman's resolution, and if the Senate does not take up that resolution, Raynor will address the Senate on the general Dominican question.

With the subject opened up, considerable debate may be expected for the Republican senators are prepared to defend the attitude of the President on the Dominican matter. When the commissions bill is taken up, Gallager will open the debate on that measure. He will be followed later by Lodge in support and by Mallory in opposition to the bill. The measure will probably be before the Senate for some time.

It is expected that the treaty with Cuba, relative to the Isle of Pines, will be discussed some time this week. This treaty is in the hands of Foraker and he will make an effort to secure some action at the earliest possible moment. The treaty will not be ratified without opposition. Several Senators have expressed themselves as of the opinion that the Americans on the Isle of Pines, have acquired some rights as such, under promises made to them by representatives of their government. Many Pennsylvanians are on the island, and Senator Penrose has announced his intention of aiding them in maintaining their status.

The emergency appropriation bill, which the Senate expects to receive from the house toward the end of this week, will carry a much larger amount than usual.

**ROUTINE NOT DISTURBED.**

**House Will Follow the Present Order of Business.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—After contemplating the plan of the Philippine tariff bill with the Statehood measure in the house this last week, the leaders arrived at the conclusion just before adjournment Saturday, that the present order of business should not be disturbed, and the speeches will therefore occupy at least half the week relating to the revenue measure. After the first bill is disposed of, the statehood bill will be brought forward.

## TRIES TO KILL HIS HORSE AND THEN KILLS HIMSELF

COLORADO SPRINGS, Jan. 7.—The dead body of E. Crane Wilson, a wealthy Chicago man, was found on the highway, seven miles east of this city this evening, with a bullet hole in the head. Indications point to suicide al-

**CLOSE IN SHORE.**

**Pass of Melfort is Visited by the Indians.**

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 7.—Advices from Ucluciet state that Indians visited the Pass of Melfort wreck and found the hull lying on the side with the stuns of the broken masts lying below the water still visible. The water is seven fathoms deep right to the bluff where she struck, running before the gale, as though against a dock wall. The wreck is so close to the shore rocks that a man could jump from the rocks to the broken hull. Although one body was seen Friday, no more were recovered.

**FORGOT HIS ORDERS.**

**Engineer of Freight Engine Forgot About Passenger Train.**

CORRY, Penn., Jan. 7.—To the engineer's failure to remember orders is attributed the wreck on the Philadelphia and Erie road last night when three were killed and twenty injured. Engineer Kavanaugh, of the locomotive that crashed into the passenger train, when asked today how he happened to be on the main track, is alleged to have exclaimed: "My God! I forgot all about the passenger train!" It is believed all the injured will recover.

**DECLINES ASSISTANCE.**

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 7.—The steamer Shawmut from Port Tampa reports at 4 p. m., January 4th, nine miles south of the Frying Pan lightship, she spoke the British bark Robert S. Bernard from Montevideo, for New York with her mainmast and mizen-to-mast gone. Captain Andrews of the bark declined assistance.

## WAR SCARE OVER

**France Feels That There Will Be No Trouble.**

**POWERS SUPPORT FRANCE**

**Marquis Venosta as Delegate to Morocco Conference Has Restored the Confidence of the French Public in Peaceful Settlement.**

PARIS, Jan. 7.—Public uneasiness over the Moroccan conference has undergone a distinct improvement. This is due mainly to the confidence and attitude of the officials of the foreign office who consider the selection by the Italian government of Marquis Visconti Benosta, as the head of the delegation as strengthening the position of France. It is evident the officials hold the view that if France secures the support of the great powers in having tangible interests in the Mediterranean and Morocco, it will be difficult for Germany to stand against the force of this moral influence. Therefore Italy's choice of Venosta, who is one of the earliest advocates of the Franco-Italian entente strengthens the government's expectation of the united support of the leading Mediterranean powers.

The martial tone of the press is considerably diminished and the sensational branch of it no longer prints alarmist reports of frontier preparations. Nevertheless, the public and press continue, though with greater calmness, toward the imperative need of completing the military preparations.

## BUILD ROAD TO TILLAMOOK

**Definite Rumor N. P. Will Construct Line.**

**A BIG BATTLE IS ON**

**Hill and Harriman Both Anxious to Tap the Rich Territory.**

**A. & C. IS OWNED BY HILL**

**Rumor Says That Northern Pacific Has Bought Columbia River Line and Will Extend it Into the Tillamook Country.**

PORTLAND, Jan. 7.—Will James J. Hill, if the report is true, that he has purchased the Astoria and Columbia River railway, build on down the coast to the Nehalem and Tillamook countries?

The rumor that the Northern Pacific has purchased the Astoria road is definite and seems to have a good foundation. If based on facts it seems to point to a new battle between the Hill and Harriman forces in the State of Oregon.

Stories are often circulated to the effect that E. E. Lytle intended at some future time to sell his Portland and Nehalem line to the Harriman interests. If this be done it would let the O. R. & N. into the country on an easy grade and through a district rich in natural resources. This, it is said, is one reason why the Northern Pacific may have wished to acquire the Astoria and Columbia River road.

Construction work has been started on the line from Seaside toward Necanicum Pass over the divide and it is said to be the intention of Hill to finish this line as soon as he has disposed of the other railroad projects he now has on hand in Oregon and Washington.

**HIDEOUS MURDER.**

HAVANA, Jan. 7.—Domingo Boscourt, an old negro, and Victor Molina, a mulatto, were garroted at the prison here today. Both were regarded as "witches" by their associates.

Their crime was the hideous murder of a white baby, Zoila Diaz, for the purpose of procuring the heart of a white female child, which the "witches" pre-ferred as a poultice for a certain woman's cure for barrenness.

The child's body was found smoked and salted several weeks after the crime.

The executions passed off promptly. There was no special incident and no witnesses excepting those officially designated to be present.

**HAS CRIMINAL RECORD.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Investigation by the police of the murder yesterday of Mrs. A. W. Gentry, resulted in developments which lead to the belief that Frank J. Constantine, accused of the murder, had a criminal record previous to this crime. Letters found in the fugitive's trunk written by his parents from New Rochelle, N. Y., seem to indicate that Constantine had fled from his home to escape the result of his crime.

**ALL QUIET.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—A dispatch to the navy department received from the senior commanding officer in Dominican waters with his station on the northern coast of the island reports that all is quiet.

**PREMIER SPEAKS.**

**Campbell-Bannerman Addresses People on Late Government's Record.**

LONDON, Jan. 7.—The election address of Premier Campbell-Bannerman was wholly devoted to a severe indictment of the late government's record and its policy on protection, and to referring electors to his public declaration on assuming office for the exposition of his government's intended policy.

The premier declares that the last decade represents a well nigh unbroken expanse of mismanagement and legislation, conducted for the benefit of the privileged classes, and of wars and adventures abroad, hastily embarked upon and recklessly pursued, and the legacy which the Unionists have bequeathed their successors is in the main a legacy of embarrassment.

**RAILROAD COLLISION.**

**Northern Pacific Train Strikes an Engine—Three Injured.**

TACOMA, Jan. 7.—The Northern Pacific local train south bound from Seattle to Olympia collided in the fog with a light engine in South Tacoma today. The express messenger was severely bruised but his condition is not dangerous. Two other men were slightly injured.

**ONE HUNDRED PERSONS PERISH.**

LONDON, Jan. 7.—A dispatch from Tokio to the Daily Telegraph says on January 4th an explosion set fire to the mine at Akita, Japan, and 101 persons were burned to death.

## NO DEVELOPMENTS

**Mysterious Murder of Edwards Puzzles Officers.**

**BOTH BROTHERS WATCHED**

**Detectives Keep Close Guard on Charles Hiller and His Brother, Maxie, for Fear They Will Try to Escape—Investigation Continues.**

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 7.—Developments in the matter of the death of Charles A. Edwards were few today. Late in the afternoon three persons were summoned to the coroner's office. Two of them remained there for some time. They are unknown to newspaper men here. The third was Charles A. Hiller who was with the coroner for several hours. It is understood in the wide range covered by the inquest that much testimony as to the family affairs of the Hillers has been taken, some of it being quite startling in nature; yet none is such as would show by whom, or for what specific purpose Edwards was killed. Tonight it was understood that two headquarters detectives had been assigned to the Hiller homestead and until the inquest was completed, Charles Hiller will be under as close a guard as his brother, Maxie. Today, while Charles Hiller was out for a walk, two detectives kept him in sight.

**SEISMIC SHOCK.**

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 7.—A slight earthquake shock was felt in this city early this evening, about 6:17 o'clock. No damage was done but the movement shook the chandeliers and rattled dishes. Another dispatch from Topeka states the shock was observed in that city at 6:15, with no damage. Other cities throughout the State have reported similar disturbances.

**BUYS ESTATE.**

**Dowager Empress of Russia Purchases Estate in Denmark to Reside In.**

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 7.—The Dowager Empress of Russia has purchased an estate in Denmark, with a view of a lengthy residence, but the rumor that she would not return to Russia is without any basis.

## BATTLESHIPS COLLIDE

**Evans' Squadron Has a Slight Accident.**

**KENTUCKY IS DAMAGED**

**Kearsage and Kentucky Run Aground and Alabama Rams Latter.**

**INJURIES ABOVE WATER LINE**

**The Three Ships Float at High Tide and Alabama and Kearsage go to Sea—Kentucky Ordered to Navy Yard for Repairs.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—While the battleship squadron under the command of Admiral Evans was proceeding to sea today, the battleships Kearsage and Kentucky ran aground in the harbor off the west bank light-house. The Alabama and Illinois were following next in line, and before they could alter their courses the Alabama collided with the Kentucky, striking her a glancing blow. The Illinois just managed to get clear of the tangle, and proceeded down the bay, anchored outside the bar, with the flagship Maine.

The starboard side of the Kentucky above the water line, was quite badly damaged. She will come up to the navy yard tomorrow for repairs. The accident occurred shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon. The Alabama stood by to render assistance to the Kentucky and Kearsage, and wireless messages were sent to the Brooklyn navy yard for tugs. At 2:45 o'clock the Kearsage and Kentucky both floated and started out to sea, accompanied by the Alabama. The Kentucky, however, was ordered back, and returned to Tompkinsville, where she anchored late this afternoon.

It was nearly 1 o'clock this afternoon before the squadron got under way. The flagship Maine with Admiral Evans on board headed the column, the Kearsage and Kentucky following. These latter were swept slightly out of their course and being deep in the water with heavy supplies on board and coal bunkers full, grounded just off the west bank light. The navigating officer of the Alabama made every effort to swing wide of the grounded ships but the sweep of the strong flood tide running, carried the Alabama into the Kentucky with a crash. Luckily the blow was a glancing one. The Illinois barely escaped colliding with the two vessels already in trouble. There was a rapid exchange of signals, the Alabama which was not seriously injured being ordered to stand by and render assistance to the Kearsage and Kentucky. When the navy yard tugs arrived the battleships soon pulled into deep water and both started for sea. Admiral Evans, however, ordered the Kentucky to turn back and proceed to the navy yard for repairs.

## WITTE SAYS REVOLUTION WILL BENEFIT RUSSIA

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 7.—When interviewed by the official telegraph agency today, Count Witte protested what he characterized as unfounded and sensational reports spread abroad in the foreign press, and expresses the

**PICKLED RATS.**

**Barrel of Preserved Rats Arrive From Manila.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Word has been received at the National Museum that a barrel of rats has been shipped to that institution from Manila. They are coming in pickle.

Some months ago rats were very numerous in Manila and the surrounding parts of Luzon, and many of them were affected with a disease which is sometimes communicated to man. The health authorities offered a bounty of half a cent (gold) for each rat brought in. The natives set at work killing, trapping and snaring rats by thousands.

Major Edgar A. Mearns, surgeon in the United States Army, is an enthusiastic naturalist and collector. He soon perceived that many of the rats had considerable scientific value, and that some belonged to species which are unknown to naturalists. The barrelful is now on its way to the National Museum.

**GOVERNMENT GRAPTERS.**

**The Gaynors, R. D. Greene, and Oberlin Carter Will Be Tried.**

SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 7.—The cases against John F. Gaynor, Benj. D. Greene, Wm. Gaynor, Edward Gaynor, and former Captain Oberlin M. Carter will be called in the United States court Tuesday. The defendants are charged with defrauding the United States government of about \$2,000,000 in carrying out the Savannah Harbor contracts.

## A KANSAS TEMBLOR

**Cornhuskers Experience Slight Earthquake Shock.**

**NO DAMAGE IS REPORTED**

**Seismal Disturbance Throughout Middle West Lasting for Almost a Minute—Buildings Shaken—People Run Into Streets in Fear of Their Lives.**

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 7.—A distinct earthquake shock, with a distinct motion from north to south lasting from twenty-three seconds to one minute, was felt in Western Missouri, Eastern Kansas and Southern Nebraska, from 6 to 7 p. m., this evening. With the exception of knocking the plaster from the walls at some points in Kansas, no damage is reported, although persons ran into the streets for fear that the houses would tumble.

At Emporia, Kan., there was an earthquake shock this evening. It was too slight to do damage, but was distinctly felt all over this part of the country. Telephone messages from Salina, Minneapolis, Clay Center, and Wamego, Kansas, say the shock was perceptible at those points. At Wamego buildings were shaken so it was feared they would collapse.

At Joplin, Mo., a slight earthquake shock was felt about 6:20 o'clock this evening. There was no damage, and also at St. Joseph there was a distinct earthquake shock.

Word from Marysville, Kan., says that there was an earthquake shock and every town in this part of the county makes the same report by telephone.